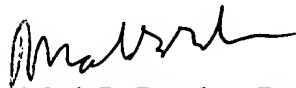


REMARKS

Claims 1-33 remain pending in the present application. Claim 19 has been amended to make it properly depend on claim 18. No new matter has been introduced by the above-amendment.

Early and favorable action on the merits are respectfully requested. Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact Mark R. Buscher (Reg. No. 35,006) at 703 753 5256.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark R. Buscher', written in a cursive style.

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